



Pathways Early Action Grants for Petersburg's Battersea Community Request for Proposals

Who are we?

Since 1995, Pathways has been committed to advancing the spiritual well-being, community interconnection, health awareness, and economic growth in Petersburg, Virginia through the cultivation of local partnerships.

What are we about?

- **Shalom Homes** – The rehabilitation of older homes, primarily in the North Battersea neighborhood, for the creation of affordable single family units for first-time buyers of limited means.
- **YouthBuild Program** – A unique program that offers Petersburg at-risk youth the opportunity – through rigorous classroom education and “on the job” skills training – to become primary agents of change in the pursuit to make their community a better place to live.
- **Pathways to Health** – Pathways collaborates directly with area health professionals to provide a diversity of medical resources for the uninsured citizens of Petersburg, through Pathways’ Specialty and Dental clinics.
- **Lead Safe Program** – In an effort to diminish the rate of childhood lead poisoning in Petersburg, Pathways works with the Virginia Department of Health to monitor and eliminate the use of lead-based paint throughout the city.

Does your organization have a great idea to help the Battersea community of Petersburg?

At Pathways, we live according to the belief that local partnerships are essential for improving our city. **We are therefore excited to announce the availability of grants for local organizations determined to make the Battersea neighborhood a great place to live for its residents.** We are accepting applications on an ongoing basis, and decisions will be made quarterly. Accepted applicants may be awarded from a pool of up to \$2,000 to fund their projects.

Criteria

Pathways will award funding to organizations according to the following:

- Preference is given to local Battersea organizations.
- Greater Petersburg organizations are also encouraged to apply, though projects must still pertain to the Battersea community, only.
- Proposals (forms to be found on Pathways’ website) must be completed and submitted to Pathways for full consideration, and must detail:
 - The need that will be addressed
 - The particulars of the project
 - Timeline
 - And the projected budget

We encourage a wide diversity of ideas and concerns in proposals. Whether you hope to beautify the Battersea neighborhood through creative projects, engage with youth, or help to create a stronger sense of community in Battersea, we want to hear your ideas! Now is your organization’s chance to make its mark in helping the Battersea area to become a better place to live, work, and play for all Petersburg residents!